

**Minutes Mansfield Library Advisory Board Meeting
Sept. 28, 2006**

Present: L. Bailey, ex officio; E. BarShalom, E. Chibeu, S.Q. Clark, presiding, B. Katz, M. Johnson, R. Pollack, recording, C.Rees, D. Truman.

Absent: J. Pao

The meeting was called to order 7:05 PM

MINUTES: Minutes of the July 20, 2006 meeting were accepted.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

LIBRARIAN REPORT:

Planning Presentation

1. L. Bailey had two meetings with Chris Bradley and the Planning Committee about deciding which community needs the library can meet. The Librarians also spoke with Chris Bradley.
2. The Board was asked to pick 4 library service priorities as areas to concentrate upon. Originally there were thirteen but was narrowed down by the staff.
3. They are Commons, Cultural Awareness, Current Topics and Titles and Lifelong learning. Commons involves the usage of the auditorium and other meeting rooms and supports access to information. Cultural Awareness helps residents gain an understanding of their own cultural heritage and those of others. It was exemplified by having the librarians as the only English speakers at a Saturday meeting. Current Topics is providing links to information with community organization and Town agencies. Lifelong learning addresses the desire of self directed personal growth. Discussion followed.
4. In order of importance, the Board selected Current Topics, Life Long Learning, Cultural Awareness and lastly Commons.
5. The final Planning Committee presentation will take place Nov. 16 at 6PM. There will be a catered dinner and the Library's plan will be presented to the committee members. The Board is invited.

New Business: Term Expirations: Eva BarShalom will continue as a Board Member. Marietta Johnson will not. The Board accepted her resignation with regrets. Since Jung Pao was not present he will be asked by L. Bailey if he wishes to continue.

Old Business: None

The Meeting adjourned at 7 50PM.

Submitted by,

Rita Pollack, Recording Secretary